



CITY OF DUPONT'S WEEKLY BITS & BYTES

Friday, September 29, 2023

Mayor Frederick proclaimed September 23 - October 1, 2023 as **"BLUE STAR WELCOME WEEK"** in the City of DuPont on Tuesday, September 26, 2023

WHAT IS BLUE STAR FAMILIES?

[Blue Star Families](#) is the nation's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting military and Veteran families in the communities where they live. Since 2009, we have raised and delivered over \$100 million in support and services to active-duty, National Guard, Reserve, wounded, transitioning service members and their families, and survivor families.

Together with our Blue Star Partners and local neighbors, we are solving specific challenges for military and Veteran families. We're ensuring that wherever they go, they always feel connected, supported, and empowered to thrive—in every community, across the nation.

For more information please visit: [About Blue Star Welcome Week - Welcome Week | Blue Star Families](#)

To read the proclamation click on the following link: [City of DuPont - Document Center \(civicweb.net\)](#)



Councilmember Sonia Garza and Mayor Ronald Frederick. Sonia is the Executive Director Puget Sound - Blue Star Families.

Parks and Recreation

CITY OF DUPONT PARKS & RECREATION PRESENTS

YOUTH RECREATIONAL BASKETBALL

2023 - 2024



K - 9TH SEASON RUNS DECEMBER - MARCH

FOR MORE DETAILS VISIT:
DUPONTWA.GOV/549/YOUTH-SPORTS

THE STEILACOOM HISTORICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES NOT SPONSOR OR ENDORSE THIS EVENT/INFORMATION AND THE DISTRICT ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR IT.



Youth Basketball Registration

Youth Basketball registration for the 2023/2024 season is now open for grades K thru 9 and will remain open thru October 26th. (Late registration will remain open thru October 31) This is our largest youth sports program of the year and we are in need of lots of helping hands. If you are interested in coaching, scorekeeping, etc., please contact Amy Walker @ awalker@dupontwa.gov and we will put you in touch with the right folks! Practices are scheduled to start December 4th and will run through the end of February. All frequently asked questions and the registration link can be found here:

[Youth Sports | DuPont, WA - Official Website \(dupontwa.gov\)](#)



Parks and Recreation



Downtown Trick or Treating

As we turn the pages to October, this means downtown Trick or Treating in DuPont! Keeping with tradition, Parks & Recreation will host downtown Trick or Treating on **Tuesday, October 31st from 3:00-5:00 PM** along Wilmington Drive. Families are all invited to Trick or Treat safely and responsibly on Halloween in our local businesses. We are often asked why we don't extend our Trick or Treating along Wilmington Drive to later in the evening. We end this annual event at 5PM out of respect to our business owners who also have families at home to celebrate the holiday with. We want them to be able to be home at a reasonable hour to enjoy time with their friends and families as well. If you see a business owner along the way, please be sure to thank them for opening their doors to the community on this special day. Event info can be found here:

[Events | DuPont, WA - Official Website \(dupontwa.gov\)](https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens)

Lunch, Movie....Action!

The monthly Senior Lunch & Movie is back after a short July intermission. Seniors are invited to attend our monthly gathering of lunch and a movie on **Tuesday, October 10**. If you are interested in attending, please watch for details on our City website the Friday before the event. Movie choices and departure time will be announced up to a week prior to the event. Pre-registration is required, and the fee to participate is just \$10 (plus tax), which includes lunch and a movie. *If you need help with the online registration process, please give us call, as we are here to help! Movie-goers may call Amy Walker at (253) 405-9698 with any questions. You can register and pay here: <https://dupontwa.gov/545/Adults-Seniors>*



DUPONT PARKS & RECREATION
YOU ASKED, WE LISTENED...



TEEN HALLOWEEN THRIFT SHOPPING

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST
PRE-REGISTER AGES 13-18

**OCTOBER 13
10AM-3PM.**

Parents, this is a no school day and a good opportunity for your teen to knock out Halloween costume shopping!

LUNCH WITH FRIENDS

Transportation from and to DuPont City Hall & Lunch is provided!

\$10



Teen Halloween Thrift Shopping

Back by popular demand, teen thrift shopping! Halloween edition! Spend the day with Parks & Recreation going to local thrift stores to find your Halloween costume!

Transportation to and from DuPont City Hall as well as lunch will be provided. Parents, this is a no school day so it is a great opportunity for your teen to go out and shop with friends!

Friday October 13, 2023 from 10AM-3PM. Ages 13-18.
\$10.

Pre-Registration and payment is required.

<https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens>

Calling all Parks & Recreation Instructors!



City of DuPont
Parks & Recreation
Is currently seeking creative
and talented instructors for
classes and workshops

We are looking for fun, energetic
individuals who would love to teach
classes for Parks & Recreation AND
earn a little money while doing it!

Questions? Please contact Amy Walker at
awalker@dupontwa.gov

We can't wait to hear from you!

Parks & Recreation is currently looking for instructors for all types of classes for the young and the young at heart. If you have a special skill or hobby that you would like to share with the community and make a little money while doing so, please take a moment to complete the following survey and your Parks & Recreation team will be in touch! We cannot wait to hear from you!

[Recreation & Activities | DuPont, WA
- Official Website \(dupontwa.gov\)](https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens)

2023 Parks & Recreation Annual Auction

IT'S THE GREAT AUCTION CITY OF DUPONT



ONLINE BIDDING ACCESS: \$10

TICKETS ON SALE SEPTEMBER 20
BIDDING OCCURS OCTOBER 7-14, 2023

BID ON SOME GREAT ITEMS!

ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT YOUTH, ADULT & SENIOR PROGRAMMING

CITY OF DUPONT
PARKS & RECREATION

CALLING ALL BAKERS!

Over the years, our wonderful community has donated amazing desserts to our annual auction. Last year, we raised close to \$2000 on the Dessert Dash! This year, we are asking bakers to donate their favorite dessert. It doesn't need to be fancy, just made with community spirit! You will be asked to drop your dessert off at City Hall on 10/26 for winning bidders to pick them up on 10/27 at City Hall.



PLEASE CONTACT AMY WALKER IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING:
AWALKER@DUPONTWA.GOV

It's the Great Auction, City of DuPont!

Hey DuPont, it's time for one of the most anticipated events of the year- our largest annual fundraising auction. Online bidding occurs **October 7 through 14** with more unique items than ever before. You are going to love you see! Donations to this year's event are happily accepted and no donation is too small. We can incorporate just about anything into a gift basket, so please keep us in mind when donating this year! We are also looking for local bakers to donate to the Dessert Dash portion of the auction.

All auction information can be found here:

[Parks & Recreation Annual Auction | DuPont, WA - Official Website \(dupontwa.gov\)](https://www.dupontwa.gov/parks-recreation/annual-auction)

DuPont Parks & Recreation

Solo Stove Ranger 2.0 Raffle!

Ticket \$5 each

All proceeds support youth, adult and senior programming.

Tickets available at the DuPont Fall Farmers Market or at City Hall.

Solo Stove Ranger 2.0 Raffle

In conjunction with "The Great Auction", raffle tickets can be purchased to win a Solo Stove Ranger 2.0. Tickets can be purchased at City Hall. Tickets are \$5. All proceeds benefit youth, adult and senior programming.



2023/2024 Dance Classes

Registration for the 2023/2024 dance season is open with Valor School of Dance! Parks & Recreation is pleased to partner with Valor for another year of quality dance instruction for our families right here in DuPont at our Community Center in historic DuPont. Our dance program continues to grow at astonishing rates and we are expanding our programs to meet the need. Registration info can be found here: [Classes | DuPont, WA - Official Website \(dupontwa.gov\)](https://www.dupontwa.gov/parks-recreation/dance-classes)

2023 Fall Cleanup



A Waste Connections Company

THE CITY OF DUPONT IN
COORDINATION WITH LEMAY PIERCE
COUNTY REFUSE IS OFFERING A
FREE COMMUNITY WIDE COLLECTION OF
YOUR UNWANTED MATERIAL ON

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023

8:00AM

**CURBSIDE PICKUP ONLY -
NO BULKY WASTE**

CURBSIDE PICKUP:

PLACE YOUR UNWANTED MATERIALS IN BAGS OR BOXES AND PLEASE DO NOT
EXCEED 45LBS EACH

PLEASE LEAVE ITEMS AT YOUR NORMAL PICKUP LOCATION BY 8:00AM SO THE
GARBAGE TRUCKS CAN START THE CLEANUP!

MAKE SURE YOUR BAGS OR BOXES ARE PROPERLY CLOSED SO THEY ARE WIND AND
ANIMAL PROOF.

PLEASE... NO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS!!

SUCH AS: ANTIFREEZE, FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS, FLUORESCENT BULBS, COMPACT
FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS,
OIL BASED PAINTS, INSECTICIDES, YARD & GARDEN CHEMICALS, ETC.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR SERVICES NOT PROVIDED BY CURBSIDE PICKUP

BULKY WASTE/TRANSFER STATION- [HTTPS://WWW.CO.PIERCE.WA.US/1541/TRANSFER-
STATIONS](https://www.co.pierce.wa.us/1541/TRANSFER-STATIONS)

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE- [HTTPS://WWW.CO.PIERCE.WA.US/1544/HOUSEHOLD-
HAZARDOUS-WASTE%20](https://www.co.pierce.wa.us/1544/HOUSEHOLD-HAZARDOUS-WASTE%20)

DONATIONS- [HTTPS://WWW.CO.PIERCE.WA.US/1520/DONATIONS](https://www.co.pierce.wa.us/1520/DONATIONS)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CALL LEMAY PIERCE COUNTY REFUSE AT : (253) 875-5053

Purchase a recycling can today

We all know that recycling is good for the environment, but did you know that it could also be good for your local children's hospital?

Waste Connections is the premier provider of solid waste collection, transfer, recycling and disposal services across the US and Canada. Locally, they're known as Murrey's Disposal and LeMay Pierce County Refuse. The Waste Connections family of companies is committed to improving the environment and giving back to the communities they serve.

And, they're doing just that by partnering with Mary Bridge Children's Hospital to support expanding access to care for children and families in Washington.

Here's how to help: as a customer of Waste Connections, you can donate \$200 to Mary Bridge Children's Hospital, and the team will replace your existing recycle cart with a purple Mary Bridge Children's cart. Waste Connections will continue to service your recycling as usual, while you show your support for Mary Bridge Children's.

Your donation will benefit the children and families served at Mary Bridge Children's.

Not serviced by Waste Connections, but still want to donate? You can purchase a purple cart for your own personal use (keep in mind it will not be serviced by your recycling provider at this time).

For more information please visit: <https://give.multicare.org/other-ways-to-give/carts-for-kids/>

For the past three years, Waste Connections (known locally as Murrey's Disposal and LeMay Pierce County Refuse) has partnered with Mary Bridge Children's to raise funds for critical programs and services through our Carts for Kids initiative.

Support Mary Bridge Children's and increase your "curb appeal" with a purple recycling cart of your own.

Scan to
learn
more:



I-5 - Mounts Rd. to Steilacoom-DuPont Rd. Corridor Improvements

Beginning in late summer 2023, contractor crews working for the Washington State Department of Transportation will begin construction on Interstate 5 in DuPont near Joint Base Lewis-McChord. This is the third in a series of projects that widens I-5 to add HOV lanes between DuPont and Lakewood.

Improvements coming to DuPont and JBLM

In addition to extending the I-5 HOV lanes, construction crews will make improvements that enhance mobility and safety in DuPont and near the JBLM DuPont Gate at exit 119, including:

- A new bridge spanning I-5 and the railroad. The new bridge will feature a partial Diverging Diamond Interchange and a shared-use path for pedestrians and bicyclists between JBLM and DuPont.
- Direct access between JBLM and both directions of I-5.
- A new roundabout connecting Steilacoom-DuPont Road and the new overpass.

The project will also add a new signal at the intersection of the southbound I-5 off-ramp at Mounts Road (exit 116) and improve the I-5 vertical clearance over Pendleton Avenue.

What you can expect

Construction will begin in summer 2023 and is expected to be complete in 2026. The project consists of multiple stages that involve overnight and weekend ramp closures, lane shifts onto temporary pavement, potential speed limit reductions, and bicycle and pedestrian detours. Crews will contain dust and debris to the construction site and will minimize noise as much as practical. Clear signage will indicate required detours throughout the project.



The project extends HOV lanes in both directions into DuPont.

Stay connected

Follow us on Twitter [@WSDOT_Tacoma](https://twitter.com/WSDOT_Tacoma)

Check out our Facebook page: facebook.com/WSDOT

Project hotline: 206-467-2171

Scan the QR code or visit: wsdot.wa.gov/construction-planning/search-projects/i-5-mounts-rd-steilacoom-dupont-rd-corridor-improvements



For updated weekly ramp and lane closure schedules, visit: wsdot.com/Travel/Real-time/Map/

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Title VI Notice to Public: It is the Washington State Department of Transportation's (WSDOT) policy to assure that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, as provided by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise discriminated against under any of its programs and activities. Any person who believes his/her Title VI protection has been violated, may file a complaint with WSDOT's Office of Equity and Civil Rights (OECR). For additional information regarding Title VI complaint procedures and/or information regarding our non-discrimination obligations, please contact OECR's Title VI Coordinator at (360) 705-7090. 23-08-0293

WSDOT: I-5 Mounts Rd to Steilacoom-DuPont Road Corridor Improvements outreach links:

Online open house:

<https://engage.wsdot.wa.gov/i-5-mounts-to-steilacoom-dupont-rd/>

WSDOT Blog:

<https://wsdotblog.blogspot.com/2023/09/i-5-hov-dupont-jblm.html>

YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IIDRY3j6DNI&t=1s>

The WSDOT Facebook page also has a post linking the blog and online open house:

<https://www.facebook.com/WSDOT/>

TRAFFIC ALERT!

A Comcast contractor is scheduled to do work in the right-of-way in a section of Center Drive from October 9th - November 10th. They will also be directing traffic on DuPont-Steilacoom Road for turns onto Center Drive. Their work hours will be 7:30 AM – 3:00 PM. Westbound Center Drive and northbound DuPont-Steilacoom Road will be reduced to one lane during these times.



City News

Deputy Mayor Mike Winkler recently earned an Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership from the Association of Washington Cities (AWC). Deputy CEO/COO Alicia Seegers Martinelli of the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) attended the City Council meeting on September 26 and congratulated Deputy Mayor Winkler on his achievement.

The Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership recognizes mayors and councilmembers who continue to strive for excellence by attending conferences and trainings, serving their community, and further developing leadership skills. City officials receive the Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership after earning an additional 30 CML credits – including at least one training in the *diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging* competency area – and demonstrating community service. For more information please visit: <https://wacities.org/events-education/cml-program/advanced-certificate-of-municipal-leadership>



Congratulations to Deputy Mayor Winkler!



DuPont Fire Department

Response Information: The table below shows general responses. Details, if needed, are listed to better explain the response. The yellow highlighted areas in the "Current" column are statistics from the past week and the "Year" statistics include all responses since January 1st of this year.



(Category) Description	Details	Current	Year
(10) Fire, other		1	4
(11) Structure Fire			4
(13) Mobile property (vehicle) fire			6
(14) Natural vegetation fire		1	11
(15) Outside rubbish fire			0
(25) Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition			1
(30) Rescue, emergency medical call (EMS), other			2
(31) Medical assist			16
(32.1) Emergency medical service (EMS) incident		13	443
(32.2) Motor vehicle accident with injuries		4	25
(33) Lock-In			0
(35) Extrication, rescue			1
(36) Water or ice-related rescue			2
(40) Flammable gas or liquid condition, other			0
(41) Combustible/flammable spills & leaks			6
(42) Chemical Release, reaction or toxic condition			3
(44) Electrical wiring/equipment problem			1
(50) Service call, other		2	39
(51) Person in distress			9
(53) Smoke, odor problem			2
(54) Animal problem or rescue			1
(55) Public service assistance			29
(56) Unauthorized burning			1
(60) Good intent call, other			9
(61) Dispatched and canceled en route		1	42
(62) Wrong location, no emergency found			2
(65) Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke		1	12
(66) EMS call-transported by non-fire agency			1
(70) False alarm and false call, other			12
(71) Malicious, mischievous false alarm			2
(73) System or detector malfunction			30
(74) Unintentional system/detector operation (no fire)		1	14
(91) Citizen complaint		1	2
Unknown			0
TOTALS		25	732

Transport	Current	Year
Allenmore		1
Madigan	1	89
Mary Bridge	3	51
St. Clare	3	93
St. Joseph	1	30
St. Peters		8
Tacoma General		12
TOTAL	8	284

ALS	10	295
BLS	7	172

Calls by time of day (8-hr blocks):		
0000-0759	4	140
0800-1649	12	350
1700-2359	9	242
TOTAL	25	732

Calls by day of the week:		
Sunday	2	81
Monday	2	95
Tuesday	7	100
Wednesday	5	136
Thursday	5	120
Friday	2	98
Saturday	2	102
TOTAL	25	732

Mutual Aid / Multiple Calls:		
DPF Received	2	51
DPF Provided	3	41
Multiple Calls	5	88

Safety Message - Carbon Monoxide Safety:

Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas that often goes undetected, striking victims caught off guard or in their sleep.

Hundreds of people in the U.S. die from unintentional carbon monoxide poisoning every year, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. More than 20,000 visit the emergency room, and more than 4,000 others are hospitalized.

This "invisible killer" is produced by burning fuel in cars or trucks, small engines, stoves, lanterns, grills, fireplaces, gas ranges, portable generators, or furnaces. When the gas builds up in enclosed spaces, people or animals who breathe it can be poisoned. Ventilation does not guarantee safety.

How Can I Prevent Carbon Monoxide Poisoning?

Anyone can be at risk. The CDC says infants, the elderly, and people with chronic heart disease, anemia or breathing problems are more prone to illness or death, but carbon monoxide doesn't discriminate.

Winter can be a prime time for carbon monoxide poisoning as people turn on their heating systems and mistakenly warm their cars in garages. As the weather turns colder, it is important to take extra precautions.

The National Safety Council recommends you install a battery-operated or battery backup carbon monoxide detector in the hallway near each sleeping area in your home. Check or replace the battery when you change the time on your clocks each spring and fall, and replace the detector every five years.

The CDC offers these additional tips:

- Have your furnace, water heater and any other gas or coal-burning appliances serviced by a qualified technician every year
- Do not use portable flameless chemical heaters indoors
- Have your chimney checked and cleaned every year, and make sure your fireplace damper is open before lighting a fire and well after the fire is extinguished
- Never use a gas oven for heating your home
- Never use a generator inside your home, basement, or garage, or less than 20 feet from any window, door, or vent; fatal levels of carbon monoxide can be produced in just minutes, even if doors and windows are open
- Never run a car in a garage that is attached to a house, even with the garage door open; always open the door to a detached garage to let in fresh air when you run a car inside

Symptoms of Carbon Monoxide Poisoning:

The U.S. Fire Administration has put together materials on the dangers of carbon monoxide, including a list of carbon monoxide poisoning symptoms. Symptom severity varies depending on the level of carbon monoxide and duration of exposure. Mild symptoms sometimes are mistaken for flu.

Low to moderate carbon monoxide poisoning is characterized by:

- Headache
- Fatigue
- Shortness of breath
- Nausea
- Dizziness

High-level carbon monoxide poisoning results in:

- Mental confusion
- Vomiting
- Loss of muscular coordination
- Loss of consciousness
- Death

If you think you are experiencing any of the symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning, go outside and get fresh air immediately. You could lose consciousness and die if you stay in the home.

When the Carbon Monoxide Alarm Sounds

The Consumer Product Safety Commission warns that you should never ignore a carbon monoxide alarm, and do not try to find the source of the gas. Instead, follow these steps:

- Immediately move outside to fresh air
- Call for emergency services 9-1-1
- Do a head count to check to account for everyone
- Do not reenter the premises until emergency responders have given you permission to do so

Often called the invisible killer, carbon monoxide is an invisible, odorless, colorless gas created when fuels (such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil, and methane) burn incompletely. In the home, heating and cooking equipment that burn fuel can be sources of carbon monoxide.



NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION

The leading information and knowledge resource on fire, electrical and related hazards

- CO alarms should be installed in a central location outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home and in other locations where required by applicable laws, codes or standards. For the best protection, interconnect all CO alarms throughout the home. When one sounds, they all sound.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions for placement and mounting height.
- Choose a CO alarm that is listed by a qualified testing laboratory.
- Call your local fire department's non-emergency number to find out what number to call if the CO alarm sounds.
- Test CO alarms at least once a month; replace them according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- If the audible trouble signal sounds, check for low batteries. If the battery is low, replace it. If it still sounds, call the fire department.
- If the CO alarm sounds, immediately move to a fresh air location outdoors or by an open window or door. Make sure everyone inside the home is accounted for. Call for help from a fresh air location and stay there until emergency personnel declare that it is safe to re-enter the home.
- If you need to warm a vehicle, remove it from the garage immediately after starting it. Do not run a vehicle or other fueled engine or motor indoors, even if garage doors are open. Make sure the exhaust pipe of a running vehicle is not covered with snow.
- During and after a snowstorm, make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove, and fireplace are clear of snow build-up.
- A generator should be used in a well-ventilated location outdoors away from windows, doors and vent openings.
- Gas or charcoal grills can produce CO — only use outside.

HOME HEATING EQUIPMENT



Have fuel-burning heating equipment and chimneys inspected by a professional every year before cold weather sets in. When using a fireplace, open the flue for adequate ventilation. Never use your oven to heat your home.

FACTS

- ❗ A person can be poisoned by a small amount of CO over a longer period of time or by a large amount of CO over a shorter amount of time.
- ❗ In 2010, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 80,100 non-fire CO incidents in which carbon monoxide was found, or an average of nine calls per hour.



Weekly Activity Report

*Duty * Professionalism * Dedication*



Total Calls for Service 09/18/23 – 09/24/23: 260
Average per day: 37.14

The "Total Calls for Service" statistic above includes, but is not limited to, the following incidents:

EMERGENCY & PATROL INCIDENTS

16 Community Oriented Policing
01 Disorderly/Neighbor Dispute
84 Traffic Stops
02 Motor Vehicle Collision
01 Death Notification
01 Suicide Threat
09 Agency Assist
03 Suspicious Person
03 Suspicious Vehicle
04 Traffic Complaints
01 Domestic Violence/Verbal
01 Trespass
04 Unwanted Person/Loiterer
04 Welfare Check
01 Unsheltered Individual

PROPERTY & OTHER CRIMES

01 Motor Vehicle Theft
03 Vehicle Prowl
01 Vandalism
01 Driving with a suspended license

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS

01 Fraud

ARRESTS/REFERRALS

01 Arrest - Lacey PD warrant - booked into jail
01 Arrest - Tacoma PD warrant - booked into jail



DEPARTMENT NEWS

- Speed emphases were conducted on Center Drive and McNeil Street.
- Officers completed online training.
- DuPont officers greeted students, parents, and staff at the local schools.

REPORTING AN INCIDENT? NEED AN OFFICER?

- To report an emergency, dial 9-1-1
- To report a non-emergency, dial (253) 287-4455
- If you aren't sure, let us help you by dialing (253) 964-7060

If you have non-urgent questions, suggestions, want to file a complaint or commend a D.P.D. staff member, we appreciate the opportunity to assist you. You may reach us via email at Police@dupontwa.gov or by telephone at (253) 964-7060.

DOWNLOAD THE DUPONT POLICE APP TODAY!



DuPont Police Department

VEHICLE BREAK-IN & THEFT PREVENTION TIPS

PARK IN A WELL-LIT AREA OR GARAGE

Thieves may be deterred if they know they can easily be seen.

DON'T LEAVE VALUABLES IN YOUR CAR

One way to attract a thief is to leave a purse or wallet, cell phone, military gear, laptop, or other high value items in a visible area of your vehicle. Thieves are easily enticed!

REMOVE YOUR KEYS

If your key is in the vehicle, a thief can simply break a window and drive off. Never leave an unattended vehicle running.

CLOSE YOUR WINDOWS

Keep your windows closed completely. A thief can easily reach into your vehicle through an open window.

LOCK YOUR VEHICLE

Locking your vehicle doors is an important step in deterring a thief.

BE AWARE OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS

If you're concerned about the safety of your vehicle or spot someone prowling around the area, park somewhere else if possible. Report suspicious activity immediately!



City News

MUNICIPAL POSITION OPENING!

The City of DuPont is looking for a citizen to fill a vacant position on the Planning Commission. The purpose of the Planning Commission is to advise the City Council on General Land Use, Growth Management, Long-Range Capital Improvement Plans, and Transportation Planning. For citizens interested in applying, detailed information the Planning Commission's responsibilities and meeting times can be found on the City's website at <https://www.dupontwa.gov/83/Commissions>. The current application can be found at: <https://www.dupontwa.gov/512/Vacancies>.

BUILDING CODE UPDATE:

The State Building Code Council voted on September 15, 2023, to delay the effective date of the 2021 Washington State codes. The new code effective date will be **March 15, 2024**. The previous effective date was October 29, 2023 and July 1, 2023 respectively. The city of DuPont currently has the 2018 building codes with amendment adopted.



City Council and Calendars

- **9/26/2023 Regular Council Meeting overview:**
- Recognizing Deputy Mayor Winkler for his Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership.
- Proclaiming the week of September 23 through October 1, 2023, as "Blue Star Welcome Week" in the City of DuPont.
- Ordinance regarding amendments to the DuPont Municipal Code 14 05.120 in regards to Public Right of Ways, First Reading.
- Resolution No. 23-013 approving the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA) expenditures.



Helpful Meeting Links:

- ◇ **City of DuPont Meetings** can be watched live or later at: City's YouTube channel: (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI-nrLK1wNfpq3_CeNJw40A).
- ◇ **Regular Council Meetings** can be watched live or later at the City's YouTube channel and/or at: Pierce County TV (<https://www.piercecountytv.org/1306/DuPont-Live-Meetings>).
- ◇ **Agendas**, once published, are officially posted on the bulletin board at City Hall and available at the following link: <https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/777/>.
- ◇ **Minutes**, after they are passed, are available at: <https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/7/>.

Regular City Council meetings begin at 6:00 PM on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month.

Published agendas can be found on the website's homepage; click on the meeting date on the City of DuPont Calendar and then "**Download Agenda**".

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Date	Time	UPCOMING MEETINGS
10/2/2023	6:00 PM	Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
10/9/2023	5:00 PM	Tree Advisory Commission Meeting
10/9/2023	6:30 PM	Planning Commission Meeting
10/10/2023	11:00 AM	Civil Service Commission Meeting
10/10/2023	6:00 PM	City Council Meeting
10/16/2023	6:00 PM	Park & Recreation Commission Special Meeting
10/24/2023	6:00 PM	City Council Meeting
11/6/2023	6:00 PM	Park & Recreation Commission Meeting



Date	ACTIVITIES - SAVE THE DATE!	Location/Information
10/7-10/14/2023	The Great Auction and Dessert Dash	Parks & Recreation Annual Auction DuPont, WA - Official Website (dupontwa.gov)
10/10/23	Senior Movie & Lunch	https://www.dupontwa.gov/545/Adults-Seniors
10/13/23	Teen Halloween Thrift Shopping	https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens
10/14/23	2023 Fall Cleanup	Calendar • DuPont, WA • CivicEngage (dupontwa.gov)
10/31/2023	Downtown Trick or Treating	https://www.dupontwa.gov/195/Events